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Dispositi	on of Claims		
5)□ 6)⊠ 7)□	Claim(s) 23-63 is/are pending in the application 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdray Claim(s) is/are allowed. Claim(s) 23-63 is/are rejected. Claim(s) is/are objected to. Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or	vn from consideration.	
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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 23-63 are examined.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments filed on 9/16/05 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

Regarding applicant's remarks, applicant disagrees with the objection and 35 U.S.C. 112 rejection presented in the previous office action. However, the claims are not presented in a clearly understandable form and fail to particularly point out and distinctly claim the invention. For instance, the claims does not disclose 1) how the first decryption key is generated and obtained, 2) the encrypted content key was already decrypted at a first decryption processing unit and why is there a need for a second decryption processing unit to extract the content key? 3) the structure of the system is confusing and the examiner is not able to distinguish what cryptographic keys are used for its respective functions. Therefore, applicant is advised to revise the claims in better form.

For rejections of claims 23-63, please refer to the previous office action sent out on 6/16/05. Further explanations may be provided upon due course.

Conclusion

3. THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shin-Hon Chen whose telephone number is (571) 272-3789. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 8:30am to 5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ayaz Sheikh can be reached on (571) 272-3795. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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